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The invention relates to a device and method for configuring an at least partially automated or motorized microscope (1). The microscope (1) comprises at least one configurable module having several positions for the placement of various elements. A computer (17) with a display (21) and at least one input means is associated with the microscope. A database is implemented in the computer. All possible available elements for the at least one configurable module are filed in said database, enabling the user to allocate the individual elements to the module therefrom.